

**From:** [Edlund, Carl](#)  
**To:** [Gray, David](#)  
**Cc:** [Smith, Monica](#); [Smalley, Bryant](#); [Crossland, Ronnie](#); [Meyer, John](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Preliminary comments on EPA Oversight Testimony (R2, 4, 6) on Response and Recovery to Environmental Concerns from the 2017 Hurricane Season  
**Date:** Sunday, November 12, 2017 6:16:20 PM

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I just tried to call you David, ring me back.

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 12, 2017, at 3:25 PM, Gray, David <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

Can u call him?

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Smith, Monica <[smith.monica@epa.gov](mailto:smith.monica@epa.gov)> wrote:

Need John Meyer to confirm that.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2017, at 2:05 PM, Gray, David <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

I thought Phyllis did water samples from sf sites?

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2017, at 2:03 PM, Smith, Monica <[smith.monica@epa.gov](mailto:smith.monica@epa.gov)> wrote:

We collect samples at arkema. Aside from that we did not collect water samples in Texas in response to Harvey.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 12, 2017, at 1:51 PM, Gray, David <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Gray,  
David"  
<[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)>

**Date:** November  
12, 2017 at 1:50:12  
PM CST  
**To:** "Levine,  
Carolyn"  
<[Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov)>

**Subject: Re:  
Preliminary  
comments on EPA  
Oversight  
Testimony (R2, 4,  
6) on Response  
and Recovery to  
Environmental  
Concerns from the  
2017 Hurricane  
Season**

I think the only  
flood water was  
one sample around  
the Arkema plant.  
Otherwise I believe  
it was stormwater  
and groundwater.

Sent from my  
iPhone

On Nov 12, 2017,  
at 1:25 PM, Levine,  
Carolyn  
<[Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov)>  
wrote:

Ok. I  
can  
work  
on  
minor  
tone

adjustments  
to  
address  
the  
OHS  
comments  
re:  
tone.  
Some  
minor  
suggestions  
from  
OMB  
look  
fine to  
me. I  
can  
send  
you a  
proposed  
revision,  
but I  
need to  
answer  
OMB Q  
re:  
whether  
PHILIS  
tested  
the  
flood  
waters  
and  
note in  
testimony.  
Current  
language:

**Another**

**EPA**

**asset**

**used**

**was a**

mobile

laboratory

called

PHILIS.

The

technical

name

for

PHILIS

is the

Portable

High-

Throughput

Integrated

Laboratory

Identification

System.

This

mobile

lab is

capable

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sample

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hour

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and

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used to

test

water

samples

for

volatile

organic

compounds

(VOCs)

and

semi-

volatile

organize

compounds

(SVOCs)

associated

with

assessing

Superfund

sites

and

other

response

activities.

This

proved

to be  
invaluable  
in an  
area  
that is  
devastated  
and  
lacking  
in  
basic  
infrastructure.

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